

CASE RESTS
WITH MEYERAs to Result of the Robnett
Court martial

WHICH WAS ENDED TODAY

Admission by Dorothy Healer That She
Is Engaged to Marry Dr. Robnett
May Serve to Get Him off
Easily.

Boston, Feb. 8.—Arguments in the court martial of Passed Asst. Surgeon A. H. Robnett, U. S. N., on charges growing out of an affront to Edward S. Cowles of Boston at a navy hop on December 11, were presented this morning. Major Leonard pleaded that Robnett was justified by Cowles' action in insulting the latter over the telephone; also that having been reprimanded by Secretary Meyer no further punishment is possible. At the conclusion of the presentation of the arguments the court martial agreed on a verdict which will be sent to Secretary Meyer for review before publication.

That Dr. Robnett and Miss Dorothy Healer of Chicago, whose picture was at the bottom of the court martial, are engaged was brought out during the testimony of Miss Healer yesterday afternoon.

Although Miss Healer told the court that she became engaged to Dr. Robnett four months ago, it was kept a secret that when the western girl replied to counsel, "Dr. Robnett is my fiancé," her words, coming as the first public announcement, occasioned surprise even among intimate friends.

Miss Healer, who is 18 and pretty, and who wore a becoming lavender gown, blushed and glanced at the accused young officer, who smiled back reassuringly when the announcement was made.

It became necessary for Miss Healer, the first witness called for the defense, to tell about her engagement to Dr. Robnett in order to pave the way for testimony to the effect that he was the only male acquaintance she felt she could appeal to for protection against the attentions which she declared Dr. Edward Spencer Cowles forced upon her against her wishes. Consequently, it figured as the most important development at yesterday's proceedings, for it furnished the key to the situation which has agitated the whole navy and supplied a motive for Dr. Robnett's prominence in the case.

Dr. Robnett is a young man, like his master, and was convicted last week, the accused bore a fruitless record until this trouble. The complaint growing out of the fracas at the hop caused him to be transferred from the Chelsea Naval hospital to the Narragansett Bay training school, and pending the outcome of his trial he is doing temporary duty at the Wabash.

Miss Healer for the past months has been a guest at the home of her father's sister, Mrs. Kilbourne, wife of the Rev. Mr. Kilbourne of Malden. She has been under Mrs. Kilbourne's chaperonage at the trial.

FRANCE WILL SPEND
ONLY \$28,000,000A Much Smaller Sum Than England and
Germany are to Spend in Navies.—
France Prefers to Spend Otherwise.

Paris, Feb. 8.—With a program agreed upon calling for the expenditure of but \$28,000,000 for naval armaments, France has practically dropped out of the "European battleship race." This sum is only a small part of what England and Germany will spend in the next ten years in navies, and it is smaller even than that of Russia and Austria. France welcomes the calling halt, believing it better to increase her financial prosperity than to build ships.

RESCUER ROBBED OF \$25.

New York Man Suffers Fate Similar to
That of Banker Van Norden.

New York, Feb. 8.—Since Warner M. Van Norden, the banker, was robbed of \$28,000 by two women several cases of a similar nature have come to the attention of the police. Magistrate Connel has held Jessie Miles in \$1000 bail on a charge of highway robbery made against her by John T. Russell. Mr. Russell said that he was walking through West Thirty-third street when Jessie Miles, who was a short distance ahead, fell to the street. He picked her up and she threw her arms around his neck. She did not recover for some time, and when she did, she thanked him and started to walk away. Then, he says, he recollected the story of the Van Norden robbery, and reaching into his pocket found that \$285 had disappeared. He went to the Tenderloin police station and reported the loss.

COMING TO MONTPELIER.

Frank W. Mitchell Resigned Two Positions
at Haverhill, Mass.

Haverhill, Mass., Feb. 8.—Frank W. Mitchell arrived in this city yesterday from Montpelier, Vt., where he has purchased a drygoods store and yesterday afternoon resigned from the school board and as chairman of the Republican city committee.

Leonard O. Philbrick will probably be the next chairman of the Republican city committee and John W. Titton is forecasted as the choice for city school board.

GRANTING VILLAGE.

The regular meeting of branch No. 12 of the T. U. C. was held in Tupper hall Wednesday evening, February 3, at 7 o'clock. Important business.

DEJECTED WOMAN
WENT OVER FALLSBeatrice R. Snyder Committed Suicide
at Niagara Yesterday Afternoon.Her Fiance Recently
Died.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Miss Beatrice R. Snyder of Buffalo committed suicide here yesterday afternoon by wading into the river just above Prospect Point and going over the American falls. As her body swept over the brink of the cataract she turned her face toward the rescuers and smiled a farewell to them.

Buffalo Police John Spaulding was talking to Milton A. Parker of White Haven, Pa., when the young woman first appeared on the path leading to the river bank. They paid little attention to her until she began to run toward the river. It was too late to intercept her. Without a moment's hesitation she waded into the stream. She turned once and smiled toward the men who were calling upon her to stop but continued to move rapidly into deep water. In an instant she was whisked from her feet and went careening toward the brink of the falls. As she passed out of sight she was still smiling.

On the bank was found a handbag and in it this note: "Mama and Papa—May you both forgive me for bringing this awful disaster upon you in these years of your life. Also may our Heavenly Father forgive all my sins. But I have been very good, thank God. You will find a slip for the money under your dresser drawer. With my heart full of love for all your kindness and tender love, good bye. " Lovingly, "Beatrice."

There was a card in the purse bearing the name Beatrice R. Snyder. With the lower river jammed with ice and the jam increasing hourly there is little hope that the body ever will be recovered.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Miss Snyder was chief clerk of a Buffalo tea store. She has been dejected since the death of her fiance, George F. Meyer. They were to have been married in a few months. She worked yesterday morning.

PUGILIST WEDS
FORMER SWEETHEARTJohn L. Sullivan, Former Heavyweight
Champion Married to Former
Schoolmate—Left To-day
for European Trip.

Boston, Feb. 8.—John L. Sullivan, with his bride, sailed for Europe at three o'clock this afternoon on board the Cunard liner Ivernia. A large crowd at the dock cheered the parting couple.

Boston, Feb. 8.—John L. Sullivan, the former heavyweight pugilist, married today the sweetheart of his school days, Miss Katharine Harkins, a recently rich estate holder of Sharon. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's sister, Miss Mary Harkins, in Roxbury. The couple sailed for England this afternoon. Sullivan secured a divorce from his first wife a year ago.

Miss Katharine Harkins and John L. Sullivan were schoolmates together in Boston and early became attached to each other, but when Sullivan took up a pugilist career against her wishes the friendship was broken. A few years ago, when the former champion was threatened with blindness, the sympathy of his old friend was aroused and she was induced to marry him. Several years ago he moved to Payson, but has now returned to his old home. Sullivan renewed his friendship with Miss Harkins, which culminated in their marriage to-day. Even religious obstacles, owing to the objection of the Catholic church of which Mr. Sullivan is a member, to sanctioning the marriage of a divorcee, were brushed aside by the couple, who, in the absence of a dispensation, were married by a justice of the peace.

CIVIL WAR VETERAN DEAD.

Henry C. Backus, Worthy Citizen of
Watfield, Passed Away Suddenly.

Watfield, Feb. 8.—Henry C. Backus, who died at his home in South Payson Saturday morning, February 5, was born in Watfield sixty-five years ago, where he resided the greater part of his life and was by trade a tanner. Several years ago he moved to Payson, but has now returned to his old home. Sullivan renewed his friendship with Miss Harkins, which culminated in their marriage to-day. Even religious obstacles, owing to the objection of the Catholic church of which Mr. Sullivan is a member, to sanctioning the marriage of a divorcee, were brushed aside by the couple, who, in the absence of a dispensation, were married by a justice of the peace.

Mr. Backus was a veteran of the Civil war, having served in Company G, Sixth Vermont. The funeral on Monday was at his late home and at South Payson, where the body was interred. W. A. Romele was the officiating clergyman and T. J. Ferris of Montpelier had charge. The bearers were his late comrades in arms, H. M. Wallie, Ed. Savage, W. N. Russell and E. A. Felt.

Mr. Backus was a simple and unassuming citizen, trusted and respected by all who knew him, and the bereaved family has the sympathy of all in the loss of a kind husband and loving father.

INSANE OVER RELIGION.

Benson Leavitt Taken to Waterbury
Asylum.

Burlington, Feb. 8.—Benson Leavitt, the man who was found insane on the farm of Luther Putnam in Westford last week, was taken to the Vermont State hospital at Waterbury by order of Governor Moody. Leavitt seems to be wildly mad on the subject of religion and he raves almost continuously. Edward Lang, who was serving a sentence in jail for larceny, was also taken to Waterbury by order of the governor. Lang is a "dope head" and has been treated previously at the asylum.

BACK SALARY
IS SUED FOREx-Congressman Powers is
Plaintiff Against Rutland R. R.

HE NOW CLAIMS \$25,000

Says That Railroad Hired Him at \$10,000
a Year and Only Paid Him \$5,000
a Year for a Term of Five
Years.

Claiming \$25,000 in back salary, Attorney H. R. Powers of Morrisville, and an ex-congressman, is suing the Rutland railroad, the case having come up to the Vermont supreme court to-day from Lamoille county court. The case was started this afternoon, ex-Congressman Powers appearing for himself and Attorney Edwin W. Lawrence, successor to Powers as the railroad's attorney, and Alexander Dunnett of St. Johnsbury and R. W. Hulburd of Hyde Park representing the defendant company.

Ex-Congressman Powers claimed that he was engaged as attorney by the railroad at a salary of \$10,000 a year, and that he remained in that position for five years, for which service the railroad paid him only at the rate of \$5,000 a year, which left the railroad in his debt to the amount of \$25,000, which he now tries to collect.

Supreme court resumed its session this morning, after the usual over-Sunday recess, when the Orange county case of Carlos Slack vs. Dana Bragg was taken up. The plaintiff claims false warranty and deceit in the sale of 16 cows at a cost of \$750. In the lower court the plaintiff was awarded a verdict of \$80 and costs.

Two Rutland county cases were also heard this forenoon, the first being that of W. H. Valiquette vs. the Clark Bros. Coal Mining company and others. This is a suit over a draft, the verdict in the lower court having been in favor of the plaintiff. The other Rutland county case was that of State vs. Allan Sanderson, auditor, the defendant having been sentenced to state prison for not less than two and a half years and not more than three years. He is now out on \$1,000 bail. The claim of the defense is that the charge was not proven.

FORCED OUT BY FIRE.
MANY PEOPLE SUFFERSeven Persons Baffled off as Result
of the Exposure to the ColdWeather This
Morning.

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 8.—When the three-story Gendreau apartment block at Indian Orchard was destroyed by fire this morning, many of the occupants of the building had very narrow escapes from burning to death, and they were, besides, obliged to flee into the street, suffering severely from exposure, before they could be cared for in neighboring houses. Seven of the occupants were in a serious condition from the results of being subjected to zero weather when they were attired merely in night clothing.

The apartment building was burned down, and it was only through the assistance rendered by the Springfield fire department that the fire was confined to the Gendreau building. Indian Orchard is a suburb of this city. The total loss is estimated to be \$50,000.

ALLEGED TO HAVE
STOLEN TRADE SECRETSMachinist Employed by American Fork
Company Charged with Stealing
Valuable Patterns from Plant
of Same Concern in Ohio.

Rutland, Feb. 8.—James Schumacher, aged 36 years, a machinist for the American Fork company in its Wallingford plant, was held to-day under \$1000 bail before Justice J. D. Hopkins for alleged stealing of valuable patterns from the plant of the same concern in Geneva, Ohio. He was arrested under the nominal charge of breach of the peace so that he might be held for the Ohio authorities. It is hinted that he stole the trade secrets for another concern.

CHANGE TUFTS TEACHERS.

Prof. Knight and Mauley Leave on Ex-
tended Vacations.

Boston, Feb. 8.—Tufts college opened its second term to-day after the annual mid-year vacation. By a vote of the trustees of the college, Dr. George T. Knight, professor of Christian theology, and Dr. David L. Mauley, professor of English literature and oratory, will be given a half-year leave of absence. As a consequence, a few subjects which would have been taught will be omitted this term.

Dr. Knight has already left for Havana, Cuba, where he will remain until late in the spring. Prof. Mauley has not yet decided where he will spend his vacation. The Rev. Mr. Eaton of Medford will teach one of Prof. Knight's courses and Howard J. Savage, instructor in English in the engineering school, will take Prof. Mauley's course on the drama. Thomas Wittermore, professor of English, will teach the course in oratory formerly given by Dr. Mauley, while the rest of the courses will not be given this half-year.

DYING IN HIS BUNK
FROM POISONINGSilas Young, Aged 23, Had Been Having
Trouble With His "Girl"

and Was Despondent.

Burlington, Feb. 8.—Silas Young, aged 23, was found in an unconscious condition last evening in his bunk in the quartermaster's department at Fort Ethan Allen, where he was employed. The hospital authorities were at once notified and a detail of men with a stretcher took him to the hospital, where he was treated without avail, dying about 20 minutes after he was found. The discovery of a suspicious looking package, containing a white powder, lying on the floor near the bunk, and some remarks, which Young was heard to make during the afternoon, have led to the theory of suicide. A post mortem examination was made last night by the surgeons at the post but the result of the examination was not announced.

Young is known to have been deeply attached to a Miss Maynard, a young woman employed in this city and the rejection of his suit is thought by his friends to be the cause of his taking his life. Young had told his friends that he was engaged to be married, but it was learned yesterday that he had quarreled with the girl and that he was very despondent as a result. He had been going with the girl for the past year, but of late things had not been running smoothly and Young had frequent attacks of the blues. Yesterday afternoon he tried without success to obtain permission to call upon her and told her that he would be sorry for throwing her down. After that he acted queerly, not speaking to his acquaintances. The last seen of him before he was discovered was when he left the mess hall and was walking toward his quarters. Several of his friends met and spoke to him but he did not reply and walked on with head bent.

Little is known of his past, excepting that he sometimes spoke of a mother living in the West, who, he said, kept a boarding house. He enlisted in the 16th cavalry and was honorably discharged from the service while that regiment was in Cuba. He was then stationed at Fort Ethan Allen and while there became acquainted with Miss Maynard. He was employed at the time of his death, as a teamster. He was known to be somewhat dissipated and this is supposed to have caused the trouble between him and the girl.

TOOK BIG DOSE
OF PARIS GREENMrs. Frank Stacy of Montpelier was
Dependent Over Ill Health and
No Work for Her Husband.

She Is Still Alive.

Dependent over her ill health and the failure of her husband to get work, Mrs. Frank Stacy of 19 Blackwell street, in Montpelier drank a dose of paris green yesterday afternoon after dispatching her young son on an errand. She was still alive early this afternoon but the physicians stated that she was still in a precarious condition, as she was in great pain. Her husband this forenoon denied that the woman's act was due to any declaration by him that he was going to leave her. Mr. Stacy said he had not had any quarrel with her.

Mrs. Stacy took the poison early yesterday afternoon, being discovered by her son on his return from the errand. The child ran to the house of the nearest neighbor, William Holden, and Mrs. Holden went to the Stacy house. For some time she did not realize the nature of the woman's illness, and when it became apparent to her that Mrs. Stacy was suffering from poison she notified Dr. William Lindsay.

The latter discovered that Mrs. Stacy had taken paris green, and he found a cup partly full of the mixture, together with a spoon, in a cupboard. It is thought that the woman swallowed two spoonfuls of the poison. She was in very acute pain last night and was only slightly better to-day.

The Stacy family moved to Montpelier from Williamstown last November, and the husband, being a granite cutter, secured a position at the National Granite company's plant. Then came the labor dispute and he was thrown out of work after only a short time. This is said to have preyed on Mrs. Stacy's mind. She is 49 years of age.

FAVORS INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION.

To Show Vermont Youth How to Do
Things, as Well as Know Them.

State Superintendent of Education Mason S. Stone of Montpelier gave an interesting talk at the Spaulding high school assembly room last evening upon the subject of industrial education, under the auspices of the Clover club. Mr. Stone began by telling of the way in which the young men of the country are to be taught to do things, and then compared their training with the preliminary education which the youth of the country are given for the battle with life.

The public schools, said the speaker, teach the boys how to know things, but they do not teach them how to do things. The speaker implied that that was especially true in Vermont and said that 40 per cent. of the native-born Vermonters, the largest number of any state in the union, live outside of the state.

When, many years ago, the apprenticeship system existed, matters in the line of education for life's work were different. Then the boy was usually bound out to serve his apprenticeship at some trade, and, if not this, the work around his home was such that he knew how to do things.

To-day this is different that it was one hundred years ago. To-day the boy is taught to know things, but not to do things. As an explanation of the problem, Mr. Stone suggested industrial education along different lines.

For the Vermont boy who would spend his life in agriculture, he should be taught to understand the properties of the Vermont soils and to know the plant and bird life and to gain knowledge of how to get the best from the soil. He should learn this as he learns at the schools of to-day to get knowledge from books.

GIRL KILLED
BY BRICKSWhich Fell to Sidewalk From
B. Tomasi Block Cornice

TWO MORE BARELY ESCAPE

Miss Irene Farrar Had Skull Crushed in
by Terrible Blow Last Night, Dy-
ing This Morning at the
City Hospital.

Twenty feet of the brick cornice on the top of the four-story B. Tomasi block at the corner of North Main and Seminary streets fell to the sidewalk shortly after 8 o'clock last evening, fatally injuring one girl and narrowly missing two other girls who were with her. Miss Irene Farrar, aged 14 years, was struck on the top of the head by the falling bricks, and her skull was crushed, causing her death at ten minutes to four o'clock this morning at the City hospital, where she was taken after the accident.

Miss Farrar was the daughter of Mrs. Nellie Farrar, who is employed as cook at the Northern boardinghouse, and the two girls who were with her when the accident happened were Miss Pearl Stone, who resides at the Northern, and Miss Lottie Gibb, who is also employed at the same place. The three girls had just left the house, which is the next building to the south of the Tomasi block to go up street, and as they were passing the block the mass of bricks from the top of the building, without any warning, came crashing down upon them.

The three girls were walking rapidly and in nearly single file, with the Stone girl ahead and the Farrar girl in the rear. The latter girl was on the outside of the walk, where the most of the bricks fell, and she was struck on the head by two bricks, crushing her skull in two places.

The girls fell all around the other two girls, but the fact that they were walking nearer the building is what saved them from injury, though pieces of the bricks struck Miss Gibb's dress and tore several holes in the skirt and the sleeve of her coat; but none of the bricks struck her so that she was injured.

Miss Farrar instantly fell to the walk, partially buried in the pile of bricks. A large crowd was quickly attracted to the scene by the noise of the falling bricks and the screams of the girls. People living in the block and near there said that their first thought was of an earthquake, when the crash and the fall of several hundred pounds of bricks striking the walk came.

The first people on the scene quickly carried the injured girl into J. B. Sanguinetti's store in the building, and Drs. E. G. Giddells, F. J. Stephenson and W. D. Reid were called. Finding that the girl's skull was crushed, they at once ordered her taken to the hospital, and Dr. W. Hooker & company's ambulance was called. On further examination at the hospital, the physicians found that her condition was critical, and the only hope to save her life was an operation to remove the bones which had been crushed down into the brain.

At 10 o'clock the operation was performed, and it was found that the brain had been badly injured that it would not be possible for her to live. A few minutes before 4 o'clock this morning, she died without regaining consciousness.

Besides her mother, the deceased leaves two brothers, Clyde and Robert Farrar, and two half-brothers and a half-sister, Waldo and Moses Farrar of Montpelier and Miss Ina, who lives in California. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

The Tomasi block is a veneered brick building and the cornice near the center of the top of the front wall is said to have been cracked for a long time. The frost getting into the crack is supposed to have forced the bricks out, more until they finally fell. The building was erected in 1898. The section of the cornice which fell was about twenty feet long and extended down on the walk about two and a half feet.

The building is owned by Mrs. J. B. Sanguinetti, whose former husband, B. Tomasi, built the structure.

Mr. Sanguinetti was interviewed this morning by a Times reporter in regard to the reports that the cornice on the block had been cracked for a long time, and that a man had been asked some time ago to look it over, with a view to making repairs. Mr. Sanguinetti stated that he never saw any crack in the cornice and if there was one it had never been made known to him. He never knew of any man being asked to look the block over.

As Mayor Robins and Alderman Campbell were returning from viewing the Tomasi block this morning, their attention was called to a big crack in the brick wall on the Zanen block at the corner of North Main and Merchant streets. The crack in this wall starts just back of the front top of the wall on the Merchant street side and extends back and down to the first window of the ground floor. The crack is two inches wide in some places. The mason immediately personally notified Mr. Zanen to repair the wall, and the latter is taking steps to-day to have the wall fixed.

LEG AMPUTATED BELOW KNEE.

Blood Poisoning Made It Necessary—
Portion of One Foot Lost Recently.

Springfield, Feb. 8.—A. C. S. Raymond, manager of the Superior Tarp company, who lost a portion of one foot at Charlestown, N. H., week before last, has since suffered the removal of the leg just below the knee, blood poisoning having set in.

INSURANCE ON CENTRAL
FIRE STATIONConsidered at Regular Meeting of the
City Council Last Night—Cost of
Poor in January Was
\$591.75.

The city fathers had little business on hand to transact at the regular meeting of the city council last evening, and this was quickly handled. James P. Higgins appeared in behalf of the Republican and Democratic city committees and reported to the council that the citizens' caucus must be held this week, and that the opera house, where it is usually held, is now occupied by a week show.

According to the terms of the lease, of the house, the city reserved the right to use the house for such purposes after giving the management suitable notice; but as Manager Hoban had not been given any notice this time the matter was referred to the election committee, to see if it could not hire some other hall.

The report of the overseer of the poor for January was read and accepted, showing that he had paid out \$591.75 in the month for the support of the poor.

The chief of police reported a total of 9 arrests in January, divided as follows: Intoxication 1, breach of the peace 4, larceny 1, gambling 1, forgery 1, assisting a prisoner to escape 1.

A resolution appropriating a sum of money to the cemetery commissioners to purchase the Joseph Merts property on Brook street was accepted and adopted. This property is located at the entrance to Hope cemetery and consists of a house and a small lot of land. It was found necessary to buy it, so that the commissioners could build a suitable entrance to the cemetery.

The property committee reported on the question of renewing the fire insurance on the central fire station. The committee reported they found that the city was now carrying \$4,000 insurance on the building and was paying a rate of \$15 a thousand. The building was originally insured for \$12,000, but \$8,000 had been dropped. They stated that they could now get the building insured at a reduced rate of \$9.00 on a five-year contract in the same companies, which are in the Dillon and Pope agencies.

Alderman Ewen stated that these companies would only pay one-fourth of the total loss in case of a fire, and the council finally referred the matter back to the property committee, to see if it could not get a better insurance in some other company.

K. D. Phelps, a member of the Aldrich library trustees, appeared before the council and asked for an appropriation of \$300 for the support of the library, the same as the city has done in the past, and on motion of Alderman Campbell a resolution was ordered drawn up, appropriating \$300 for the library.

HOLMES—THURSTON.

Quiet Wedding Took Place This After-
noon at Bride's Home.

Miss Nellie L. Thurston, daughter of Mrs. Wilson Thurston of Barre Town, and Henry D. Holmes of Montpelier, were united in marriage this afternoon at two o'clock, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's mother on the east hill and in the presence of only a few of the friends and relatives of the contracting parties. Rev. A. J. Hough, pastor of Trinity church, Montpelier, was the officiating clergyman.

The bride was attired in a green silk dress and she was attended by her sister, Miss Annie Thurston. The bride couple stood before a bank of flowers during the wedding ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes left on a wedding trip and on their return they will reside at the corner of Dingham and Marvin streets in Montpelier. Mr. Holmes is engaged in the office of the American Fidelity company at Montpelier, and his bride has been engaged as a stenographer for the same company for a number of years. Before that she was engaged as a stenographer in the Barre railroad office in this city. She is a graduate of the business department of Montpelier seminary. Both she and Mr. Holmes have many acquaintances in Barre and Montpelier, who will unite in extending their congratulations.

PRETTY DOUBLE WEDDING.

Solemnized at Church of the Good Shep-
herd This Afternoon.

A pretty double wedding of two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rayeroff of Granvilleville was solemnized at the Church of the Good Shepherd in this city this afternoon. Miss Evelyn Inn Rayeroff becoming the bride of Robert Coxon and Miss Mary Rayeroff becoming the bride of Ernest O. Fraser.

The Episcopal service was performed by Rev. W. J. M. Beattie, the rector of the church, at two o'clock, there being present only a few of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The brides were dressed alike in blue traveling gowns and they wore similar hats of blue.

The happy couples left shortly afterwards for Montreal, where they will spend a short time, after which Mr. and Mrs. Fraser will start for Calgary, Alberta district, where they expect to reside. Mr. Fraser is engaged in farming in that vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Coxon will return to Granvilleville to reside, the groom being engaged in quarrying and having recently been employed by E. L. Smith & Co. All the parties were well and favorably known in Granvilleville and that section, and their friends will unite in wishing them well.

IS HELD FOR SELLING.

Keg and Three Cases Found on Premises
of Brattleboro Man.

Brattleboro, Feb. 8.—As a result of a liquor raid made by the police on the premises of Andrew Amate on Elliot street Saturday evening, Amate was before the municipal court yesterday charged with selling intoxicating liquors. A keg and three cases of beer were secured in the raid. Two sales were proven against Amate and he was held for the April term of the Windham county court in bonds of \$200 which were furnished.

PROPOSITION
DID NOT PASSGranite Cutters Turned Down
Proposed Bill

AT THE MEETING TODAY

Committee Reported Result of Confer-
ence with Manufacturers' Com-
mittee, Held Yesterday.

After an almost continuous conference from 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the two committees representing the granite cutters and manufacturers adjourned last night a little before nine o'clock to report and recommend to their respective organizations at 2 this afternoon. If the two committees agreed to anything, they refused to acknowledge even that much this forenoon, but it is presumed they agreed to put a new proposition before their respective bodies to-day.

The proposition of settlement was rejected by about 200 majority. The vote stood 385 for the proposition and 540 against.

To-day's Relief.

Acknowledgment is hereby made of the following receipts to the relief committee of the needy members of the lumpers, hewers and derrickmen's union: Francis Leitch, east hill, eight bushels of potatoes; Morse & Jackson, coal and wood dealers, have donated coal or wood to the value of \$10 or \$12. This donation came at a very opportune moment, when everyone had all that they could attend to to keep themselves warm, and more so the unfortunate children, who are depending on their parents to attend to themselves, and these parents have no means to supply such warmth and no opportunity offered them so that they can earn the means.

The Dreamland, Pavilion and Bijou management have all continued to donate 20 per cent. of their receipts on the advertised dates, which speaks well for the managers, in giving away money at a time when their collections are really needed to cover necessary expenses. The Pavilion management puts up a good show to-night and will give its usual 20 per cent. of the receipts to the cause. James Mutch, secretary C. L. U.

GRANITE RATE CASE.

Will Come Before Public Service Com-
mission Next Thursday.

The hearing before the Vermont public service commission of the petition of State's Attorney Gates, charging the Central Vermont railroad with discrimination in rates on granite shipments from Barre, which was tentatively set for this morning, was finally set for Thursday of this week, and will be given at Montpelier, beginning at nine o'clock of that day.

To-morrow the commission will hear the petition of Bonazzi & Bonazzi of Montpelier for sidetrack privileges for their granite plant in Montpelier. On Friday, February 11, the commission will hear another petition of State's Attorney Gates against the Consolidated Lighting company, the Vermont Power and Light company, the Vermont Telephone and Telegraph company and the Carty-Deane-Itt-Prosser company, requesting that they be ordered to place their wires underground or in proper position.

VETERAN BURIED IN BARRE.

Ira K. Holmes Died in North Calais
Saturday.

The remains of Ira K. Holmes of North Calais were brought to this city yesterday afternoon, and interment was made in Hope cemetery. Mr. Holmes died at his home in North Calais Saturday after a long illness, and the funeral services were held there yesterday morning at 10 o'clock.

He was 74 years of age and was born in Milton. He was married 49 years ago to Miss Dadora Gallup in Canada, and she survives him. The other survivors are a daughter, Mrs. Jerry Lundy of North Calais, and one brother, Wesley Holmes of Montpelier.

Early in the Civil war, Mr. Holmes enlisted in the army and served for three years in Company E of the Eighth Vermont regiment. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, and a delegation from Stoneport, of which he was a member, attended the services. When the remains reached this city, the last rites of the G. A. R. were performed at the grave by Captain A. F. Dodge and Chaplain A. J. Baldwin of R. R. Crandall post.

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